

Academic Session: 2021-2022

PHY 2207: Semiconductor Physics

3 Hours/week 3 Credits Examination Duration: 3
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- **1. Introduction to Semiconductor:** Metal, Insulator and Semiconductor; Semiconducting Materials; Intrinsic and Extrinsic Semiconductors.
- **2. Theory of Semiconductors:** P-Type and N-Type Materials; Bonding in Si and GaAs Crystals; Electron and hole concentrations; Diffusion of carriers; Characteristics of P-N junction; Bandgap Engineering; Hall Effects for One and Two-carrier Systems.
- **3. Semiconductor Crystal Growth and Doping:** Bulk Crystal Growth of Elemental (Si) and Compound (GaAs) Semiconductors; Epitaxial Material Growth: Molecular Beam Epitaxy (MBE), Mechanism of Carrier Generation by Doping in Elemental and Compound Semiconductors; Wafer Preparation; Fabrication of Integrated Circuits.
- **4. Diodes:** Volt-Ampere Characteristics, Junction Capacitances, Diode Applications: Rectifier and Power Supplies; Ripple factor; Special Diodes: Zener Diodes, Photo Diodes, LED; Weakly and Tightly Bound Excitons; Photoconductivity.
- **5. Transistor:** Fundamentals, Construction and Operation; Transistor DC and AC Characteristics; UJT; SCR; Phototransistor; FET: Construction and Characteristics of JFET and MOSFET.

Books Recommended:

Robert L. Boylestad Louis Nashelsky	Electronic Devices and Circuit Theory
Gary S. May Simon Sze	Fundamentals of Semiconductor Fabrication
Chenming Hu	Modern Semiconductor Devices for Integrated Circuits
Ali Omar	Elementary Solid State Physics
Simon M. Sze	Physics of Semiconductor Devices